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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of )  
Hideki KAWAHARA et al. )  
Serial No. (PCT/JP00/04455) ) Examiner:  
PCT filed: July 5, 2000 ) Group Art Unit:  
Priority Date: July 7, 1999 )  
For: METHOD OF EXTRACTING ) March 6, 2001  
SOUND-SOURCE INFORMATION)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In connection with the accompanying filing under 35 U.S.C. §371 for entering National Stage of the above-identified PCT application, please make the following amendments.

IN THE TITLE

Delete the title and substitute therefor --METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR EXTRACTING SOUND-SOURCE INFORMATION--.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Delete the section labeled "DISCLOSURE OF INVENTION" and substitute the following: